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AGENDA AND PROGRAMME OF WORK 1991

Addendum

1. The agenda of the Committee on Conferences for 1991 as set out in the present addendum was approved by the Committee at its organizational meeting, held on 6 March 1991, on the basis of a provisional agenda proposed by the Secretariat in document A/AC.172/143. At the same meeting, the Committee requested the Secretariat to present a draft provisional agenda for 1992-1993 to the Committee at its organizational meeting in 1992.

2. Accordingly, the approved agenda for 1991 is issued in the present addendum to document A/AC.172/143, together with an indication as to what documentation would be provided for the Committee's consideration in 1991.

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Agenda for 1991

1. Adoption of the agenda.

2. Calendar of conferences and meetings:

   (a) Adoption of draft calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992-1993;

   (b) Improved utilization of conference-servicing resources: meeting statistics of United Nations organs;

   (c) Improved organization of work and effective use of conference resources:

      (i) Existing conference resources, services and facilities within the United Nations;

      (ii) Possibility of central planning and coordination of all organizational aspects of conference servicing;

      (iii) Measures to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the use of conference-servicing resources;

   (d) Consideration of the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council for 1992-1993;

   (e) Procedures with regard to inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences and meetings.

3. Improved coordination of conferences within the United Nations system: implementation of General Assembly resolution 43/222 B, paragraph 4 (f).

4. Meetings of organs and programmes not funded from the regular budget of the United Nations.

5. Requests for exceptions to paragraph 7 of General Assembly resolution 40/243.

6. Review of the programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1988-1989: Department of Conference Services.

7. Application of new technology to conference servicing.

8. Role of the Committee on Conferences in the review of the Department of Conference Services.

9. Other business.

10. Adoption of the report.

Annotations for 1991

1. Adoption of the agenda.

2. Calendar of conferences and meetings:

(a) Adoption of draft calendar of conferences and meetings for 1992-1993

This sub-item will be taken up in August 1991 on the basis of a conference room paper.

(b) Improved utilization of conference-servicing resources: meeting statistics of United Nations organs

This sub-item will be taken up in August 1991 on the basis of document A/AC.172/88/Add.9 and a conference room paper reflecting the newly adopted methodology.

(c) Improved organization of work and effective use of conference resources:

(i) Existing conference resources, services and facilities within the United Nations

Consideration of this sub-item will be based on a written report from the Secretariat containing updated information on existing conference centres (see also annotations in document A/AC.172/143).

(ii) Possibility of central planning and coordination of all organizational aspects of conference servicing

The Secretariat will provide a written report on the matter including information on the current status of cooperation between the Committee and the Economic and Social Council.

(iii) Measures to improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the use of conference-servicing resources

The Secretariat was requested to present a written report including information on the experience gained from measures taken and results achieved to date as well as proposals for the Committee's review at its substantive session.

(d) Consideration of the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council for 1992-1993

The Committee will meet in June 1991 to review the draft calendar of conferences and meetings of subsidiary organs of the Economic and Social Council for 1992-1993.

(e) Procedures with regard to inter-sessional departures from the approved calendar of conferences and meetings

The Secretariat will provide a written report on the existing procedures, which will form the basis of the Committee's consideration in August 1991.

3. Improved coordination of conferences within the United Nations system: implementation of General Assembly resolution 43/222 B, paragraph 4 (f).

The Committee will review a written report from the Secretariat on the current status of coordination, as well as on the various mechanisms available within the system in this area, with a view to further consideration in 1992.

4. Meetings of organs and programmes not funded from the regular budget of the United Nations.

For the Committee's consideration of this item, the Secretariat will provide a written report to the August 1991 session.

5. Requests for exceptions to paragraph 7 of General Assembly resolution 40/243.

In accordance with established procedure, chairmen of subsidiary organs of the General Assembly wishing to meet at Headquarters during the forty-sixth session of the General Assembly should submit their requests to the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences. Requests so received will be considered by the Committee on the basis of a conference room paper.

6. Review of the programme performance of the United Nations for the biennium 1988-1989: Department of Conference Services.

The Committee will consider the programme performance for the biennium 1988-1989 of the Department of Conference Services as contained in document A/45/218/Add.1.

7. Application of new technology to conference servicing.

The Secretariat was requested to provide a written report containing updated information on applications of new technologies, present and planned, for all conference centres of the United Nations, and an oral progress report on interdepartmental cooperation in this area.

8. Role of the Committee on Conferences in the review of the Department of Conference Services.

The Bureau of the Committee, together with the Secretariat, will consider the issues that might require review in the Department for the Committee's consideration at its substantive session of 1991.

9. Other business.

10. Adoption of the report.